

## THE WEATHER.

Increasing cloudiness with probable rain or snow Thursday, and probably in the west portion tonight.

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PADUCAH KENTUCKY. WEDNESDAY EVENING, JAN. 10, 1906

10 CENTS PER WEEK.

## TEN OR MORE PERISH IN HOTEL HOLOCAUST

### Women Jump From the Upper Floors--- Several Victims Unidentified.

Minneapolis, Minn., Jan. 10.—Ten and probably more are dead as a result of a fire which gutted the West Hotel, the largest between Chicago and San Francisco, this morning.

The fire started in the basement, and passed up the elevator shaft to the upper floors, where the guests were sleeping.

Many women were in the hotel and two jumped from the seventh floor and were killed.

The fire captain, John Beswin, was killed while attempting to rescue Mabel Larsen. She jumped from the fifth floor into his arms overbalancing him on a sealing ladder and both were precipitated to death.

Wm. Davidson, U. S. consul to Manchuria, was overcome by smoke and his condition is serious.

Two brothers were found suffocated in a room on the fifth floor and a number of dead are yet unidentified. Terrible scenes were enacted. An unknown man jumped from the top and was instantly killed.

The fire was the greatest holocaust Minneapolis ever experienced. At 8 o'clock the flames were practically under control, but it is feared the death list will be increased.

Eighteen persons are so badly injured that it is believed they cannot recover.

Most of the dead and injured are victims of suffocation.

The property loss is estimated at a quarter of a million.

Thomas Somerville, of Springfield, Ohio, was one of the identified victims.

#### Nineteen Known Dead.

Haverstraw, N. Y., Jan. 10.—The work of searching the ruins for bodies beneath the clay mud of the landslide here Monday night continues, but so far without result.

Large mass of debris have been removed but no bodies. Nineteen are known to be dead, as the bodies are recovered. Members of the rescuing party are in constant danger of being swallowed up by the treacherous earth.

#### Duel Fatal to Both.

Durango, Colo., Jan. 10.—Sheriff

Thompson, of Laplat county, and Policeman Stensel, of this city, exchanged half a dozen shots with revolvers on Main street here and both were mortally wounded. Thompson died in a short time. There had existed a feud between the two since the late election when both were candidates for the office of sheriff.

#### Two Killed by Dynamite.

Crane, Mo., Jan. 10.—While laborers on the Missouri Pacific extension were thawing out dynamite the explosive caught fire. In attempting to save it one of the men kicked the dynamite and it exploded. William McNeal and Joe Kepow were killed and several others injured.

#### Policeman Registered Twice.

St. Louis, Jan. 10.—In the circuit court Policeman Peter Walsh, Jr., was found guilty of having registered in two precincts at the time of the general registration in September, 1904, and his punishment fixed at two years in the penitentiary.

#### Two Die in Dallas Fire.

Dallas, Texas, Jan. 10.—Fire yesterday partially destroyed the Knapp building, a three-story brick structure located in the center of the business district, entailing a loss of \$50,000. B. F. Nillipson, a clerk, aged 20 years, was suffocated by the flames. R. F. Radley, a printer, was fatally injured by jumping from the third floor. J. R. Minor, printer, was seriously injured by jumping.

#### Fire in Boston.

Boston, Jan. 10.—Fire in one of a group of five six-story brick warehouses owned by the factory building at the corner of Wormwood and A streets, South Boston, caused a loss of between \$125,000 and \$150,000 divided as follows:

The Railway Supply and Manufacturing company, dealers in cotton and wool, \$75,000.

The Hallett & Davis Piano company, \$50,000 to \$75,000.

The owners of the buildings, \$25,000.

All are insured.

## LAST CHANCE

### FOR SAVING ITALIAN WOMAN FROM GALLOWES.

The People Are Not Enthusiastic as They Think Murders Are Too Frequent.

Trenton, N. J., Jan. 10.—Mrs. Antoinette Tolla will not be hanged at Hackensack Friday. The court of pardons after considering the case today, decided to grant a reprieve.

#### The People Indifferent.

New York, Jan. 10.—Members of the Hackensack W. C. T. U., who hold services in the county jail at Hackensack, N. J., prepared an extra musical program for the benefit of Mrs. Antoinette Tolla, under sentence to be hanged Friday morning.

Mrs. Tolla and Mrs. Valentina, the condemned woman sat in Sheriff Mercer's office during the services. Jerry Rosa, who also is to be hanged Friday, remained in his cell near the singers. The services never seemed to interest him, but Mrs. Tolla and Mrs. Valentina were moved to tears, although they could not understand the words of the songs.

Jerry Rosa is beginning to lose courage. He can't understand why so much is being done to save Mrs. Tolla from the gallows while he is allowed to meet death with hardly a word of encouragement or sympathy. Very few call to see him.

The people of Hackensack are not expressing sympathy for Mrs. Tolla. The frequency of murders in Bergen county has cooled their ardor. The discovery on New Year's Day of another murdered Italian, supposedly a victim of the "Black Hand," has caused many to say that some one must be hanged as an object lesson.

Van Hise, the hangman, will take his paraphernalia to the Hackensack

## L. W. PRIOR SUICIDES

### PROMINENT CLEVELAND FINANCIER ENDS HIS TROUBLES.

Following the Tragedy, His Firm, Badly Involved, Suspends Business.

Cleveland, O., Jan. 10.—The suspension of the brokerage firm of Denison & Co. is announced on the stock exchange today.

Leland W. Prior, a member of the firm, committed suicide yesterday afternoon. It is said the business of the firm is badly involved through bucketing trades and the refusal of patrons to keep up margins on a falling market.

#### Stock Broker Suicides.

Cleveland, O., Jan. 10.—Leland W. Prior, one of the best known men in financial circles in Cleveland and junior member of the stock brokerage firm of Denison, Prior & Co., shot and killed himself in a room at the Hollenden hotel yesterday.

Prior went to the hotel on Monday afternoon. He did not leave the hotel between Monday afternoon and the time of his death. All this morning, according to the attaches of the hotel, he paced restlessly up and down the lobby. He appeared to be worrying about something.

Shortly after noon N.B. Hasbrouck of the firm, called to see Prior. They had a long talk. They sat in Prior's room and Hasbrouck evidently made efforts to rouse Prior from his nervousness.

Mr. Prior was about 45 years old, married and has two children. He was president of the Cleveland Stock Exchange. He was also a member of the New York Stock Exchange, as well as a member of the Chicago Stock Exchange and the Chicago

## MR. R. E. ASHBROOK WILL MOVE OUT WEST

Has Sold His Insurance Business Here to Abram Weil Co.

Will Move to Nevada to Have Charge of Mining Properties Out There.

#### LATER GOES TO CALIFORNIA.

Abram Weil and Co., today purchased the insurance business of Mr. R. E. Ashbrook, the consideration being private.

The Weil agency is the largest in the city, and the Ashbrook agency was one of the oldest. Mr. Wallace Weil said he had taken over the Ashbrook business beginning with yesterday, but that special agents of the companies would have to come to the city to make the proper transfers.

The Ashbrook agency was founded in 1874 by J. T. Ashbrook, father of Mr. R. E. Ashbrook, and Mr. Ashbrook became associated with it the following year.

Mr. Ashbrook and some eastern and Paducah capitalists have organized a mining company to develop some gold claims in the Bullfrog district of Nevada, and Mr. Ashbrook will leave for Nevada to become actively connected with the management of the company and will make his home in Rhyolite, Nevada, the nearest town to the properties for some time, but ultimately he expects to locate in Los Angeles.

The company will be known as the Paducah-Bullfrog Gold Mining Co. It owns three claims aggregating 110 acres in the Bullfrog district, which it is now claimed is the richest gold fields in the country.

The details of the organization of the company are not ready for publication.

Mr. Richard Ashbrook, a brother of Mr. Ashbrook, and who has recently been in the office of the county clerk will go with Mr. Ashbrook to Nevada.

#### MANDATE HERE

In the Celebrated Shemwell Case From Marshall County.

Attorneys Oliver, Oliver & McGregor received a copy of a mandate from the state court of appeals today in the case of R. L. Shemwell, trustee, against J. C. McLeod, reversing the lower court. McLeod filed a petition in bankruptcy some time ago and his creditors claimed he owned a half interest in a flour mill at Birmingham, Marshall county, that should go in as an asset. George McLeod claimed that he owned the mill in entirety and the suit was brought to test the case. The lower court declared George McLeod the full owner, but the appellate court reversed it, and also refused the petition for a new trial.

#### Tablet for Portsmouth.

Portsmouth, N. H., Jan. 10.—A tablet to commemorate the Portsmouth peace conference will be placed in the building in the navy yard in which the conference was held and is being designed by Lincoln J. Randall. It will be bronze and weigh about four hundred pounds.

#### Biggest Salary Ever Paid Ball Man.

Cleveland, O., Jan. 10.—Napoleon LaJoie signed as manager, captain and second baseman of the Cleveland baseball team today. While the management did not state the terms, they say that the salary offered LaJoie is the largest ever given any ball player in the world.

#### Ready to Invade Caucasus.

London, Jan. 10.—A dispatch from St. Petersburg says that persons there from Caucasus report that four Turkish corps of troops are massed on the frontier, ready to invade Caucasus. The situation along the Black Sea coast is grave and many soldiers are joining the insurgents.

#### Attempts to Arrest Leader.

Rigo, Livonia, Jan. 10.—An attempt was made last night to arrest M. Maxim, the ring leader of the social democrats in the Baltic provinces while he was addressing his companions here. Maxim, however, escaped in female attire.

#### 18 "Reds" Executed.

London, Jan. 10.—The Moscow correspondent of the times says it is reported that 18 revolutionaries were

## FRANCE CAN GET PLENTY OF TROUBLE

Germany is Said to Be Preparing for Battle.

Moroccan Crisis Indicates a More Serious State of Affairs Than Suspected.

#### THE KAISER IS PREPARED

London, Jan. 10.—The Moroccan situation continues to hold the center of the stage.

The latest is that England, France and Italy have decided to act in concert in the Algeiras conference, as they are the three powers chiefly interested in North African affairs.

It is announced from Rome that Great Britain and Italy will back France in her demands for special concession in Morocco, while France in turn will join with Great Britain in bringing about the recognition of Italy's claims for preponderance of influence in Tripoli.

This combination would seem to indicate that Germany will have to be satisfied with whatever she may happen to be awarded by the conference. Judging by the days' developments, however, the kaiser has no intention of becoming an easy victim of the shrewd diplomats representing the powers in the combination.

The pamphlet on the Moroccan dispute published in Berlin today is an interesting document. It claims among other things that questionable methods were adopted by the French government in the effort to bring the Moors to terms.

Although the Berlin foreign office declares that warships are being sent to the Mediterranean it is intimated that troops are being quietly moved in the general direction of the French frontier, and this, taken in connection with the large order for freight cars recently placed by the German government, leads to the belief in army circles that Wilhelm is fully prepared to back up his demands by force if necessary.

Meanwhile France has the Venezuelan affair on her hands, and the announcement is made on good authority that the government has decided that Castro has had sufficient time to think the matter over and make suitable amends, for the mistreatment of M. Taigny, and that unless satisfactory representation are forthcoming drastic action will be taken. In some circles the announcement is looked upon as an effort to divert attention from the Moroccan affair.

#### GEN. H. A. TYLER

Succeeds Dr. Kelley As Commander of Forrest's Cavalry Corps.

Hickman, Ky., Jan. 10.—Gen. H. A. Tyler of this place has been named to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Lieut.-Gen. D. C. Kelley of Nashville as commander-in-chief of Forrest's cavalry corps, Confederate Veterans. He was at Memphis a few days ago for the purpose of reorganizing Forrest's command in West Tennessee and arranging for the meeting at the reunion to be held in New Orleans next summer. Dr. Kelley has held the post of commander-in-chief since 1895, but he found that his advancing years made the duties of the position too onerous, and he was not able to give the requisite attention to his duties as a minister. Gen. Tyler is one of the wealthiest and most prominent men in this country.

#### No Peaceful Solution.

Berlin, Jan. 10.—A number of alarmist press comments published today in regard to the Moroccan situation and in reference to the German white book, reveals the fears which are entertained that there can be no peaceful termination of Algeira's conference.

#### The Dose Was Fatal.

New York, Jan. 10.—Dr. Robert W. Steger, who was found unconscious in his room died at Bellevue hospital. He drank a mixture of chloroform and morphine because, he said, he had frequent attacks of homicidal mania and that he feared in the end he would kill some one.

#### Marshall Field.

New York, Jan. 10.—The condition of Marshall Field, of Chicago, taken from the train ill on his arrival here yesterday is reported improved

## OVER A MILLION MORE IS NEEDED

To Complete the New State Capitol at Frankfort.

Contest Committees to Report Tomorrow—Senator George Introduces Bill.

#### REGULATING THE EXPRESS COS.

Frankfort, Ky., Jan. 10.—When the house met this morning Secretary Ware, of the state capital commission, presented a report of the commissioners to Gov. Beckham, as chairman of the board.

The report shows the total expenditure to this time to be \$32,716.87 for work, \$34,896.40 out of the special appropriation of \$40,000 for the purchase of a site for the building, salary of secretary and superintendent, \$5,606.65. Commission received \$520.90 for sale of old house on site.

There is also furnished the assembly an estimate of the cost for completing, equipping and furnishing the new capitol, together with estimates of cost of landscape work. This was prepared by Architect Frank M. Andrews. He makes estimate of all additional expenditures necessary, to be \$1,028,125.

It is reported in the house lobby at noon today that the contest committee in the case of Howell against Will A. Young, and Barber against Young, will report to the house unanimously at tomorrow's session that Young shall retain his seat. The majority of the committee are Republicans, but Howell, the chief contestant, made out no case.

In the senate today Senator George introduced senate bill #87 as follows: S. B. 87—George—An act placing the express companies in charge of the state railroad commission for the fixing of rates.

#### J. C. RUDD DEAD.

Was Formerly a Well Known Owensboro Promoter.

Owensboro, Ky., Jan. 10.—James C. Rudd, one of Owensboro's most prominent citizens, died suddenly at home here today. He was born in Louisville, but had lived here 50 years. He was the original promoter of the Owensboro and Nashville railroad and was interested in many other local enterprises during his life. He was 72 years old.

#### SURRENDERED VOLUNTARILY.

And the Negro Was Then Lynched By a Mob.

Ft. Worth, Tex., Jan. 10.—Ben Harris, the negro lynched in Polk county last night charged with assassinating Ozro Polk, had voluntarily surrendered to the officers, who were overpowered by a mob.

#### PAYNTER ELECTED.

United States Senator On Joint Ballot Today.

Frankfort, Ky., Jan. 10.—The general assembly in joint session today declared that Judge Paynter was elected U. S. senator. The vote was Paynter 101, Cox, 30.

#### PRES. HARPER DYING.

Doctors Announce That the End is Now Very Near.

Chicago, Ill., Jan. 10.—Dr. Billings issued a bulletin this afternoon announcing that President Harper, of the Chicago University is dying.

#### A U. S. Deserter Caught.

Long Island, Jan. 10.—Navy yard officials boarded the steamer Bermudian from Bermuda today and on arrival at quarantine took in charge Samuel Gernstein a deserter from the cruiser Potomac.

#### Geronimo Married for Eighth Time.

Fort Worth, Tex., Jan. 10.—Geronimo, the Apache warrior, was married on Christmas day for the eighth time. The bride is Mary Loto, widow of a prominent Indian. Geronimo is 76 years of age.

#### Sec. Shaw Entertained President.

Washington, Jan. 10.—President and Mrs. Roosevelt last night were entertained at dinner by Secretary and Mrs. Shaw. There were several other guests present.

## SUPREME COURT WILL DECIDE IT

H. H. Rogers May Go to Jail for Reticence.

The Attorney General of Missouri to Take the Question to Highest New York Court.

#### AND IT COMES UP TODAY

New York, Jan. 10.—The question whether Henry H. Rogers can be compelled to tell Attorney General Hadley of Missouri, whether the Standard Oil company of New Jersey, owns or controls three oil companies which are selling oil in Missouri as separate companies, will be placed before the supreme court of New York today. All important questions which Rogers declined to answer by advice of counsel in the last three days of the hearing were presented to the supreme court today by counsel acting in behalf of Attorney General Hadley and the court was asked to order Rogers to show cause why he should not answer them. The court issued the order and it was served on William V. Rowe, counsel for Rogers while the hearing was still in progress late today. Hadley said after consultation with counsel that he understood he would have to be represented by counsel in this argument but he hopes to get in a few words before the court.

The questions in substance are:

"Does the Standard Oil company of New Jersey, either through itself or any other person or corporation, own, hold, or control a majority of the stock of the Waters-Pierce Oil company of Missouri, the Standard Oil Co. of Indiana, and the Republic Oil company of New York?"

No matter in what form the questions have been put Rogers declined to answer them.

## NEW COMMITTEES

HAVE BEEN NAMED BY PRESIDENT H. F. WILLIAMSON.

Will Serve in the Board of Education During This Coming Year.

President Harry F. Williamson, of the school board, today announced his standing committee appointments. They are as follows, the first name on each committee being the chairman of that committee:

Finance—A. List, Wm. Karnes, Dr. J. S. Troutman.

Supplies—W. H. Pitcher, Henry Gallman, P. J. Bechenbach.

Examinations and Course of Study—Troutman, U. S. Walston, List.

Printing—Gallman, W. T. Byrd, H. C. Morris.

Building—Wm. Karnes, L. J. Petter, B. T. Davis.

Schools—Walston, Petter, Karnes.

Library and Laboratory—Bechenbach, Davis, Gallman.

Grievance—Morris, Troutman, Walston.

Rules and Revisions—Petter, Pitcher, Morris.

Boundaries—Davis, Byrd, Bechenbach.

Sanitation—Byrd, List, Pitcher.

Fire At Olive Hill, Ky.

Olive Hill, Ky., Jan. 10.—The general office of the Olive Hill Fire Brick company was totally destroyed by fire this morning.

## TODAY'S MARKETS

	Open	Close
Wheat—		
May	87 1/2	87 1/2
July	84 1/2	84 1/2
Corn—		
May	44 1/2	45
July	45 1/2	45 1/2
Oats—		
May	32 1/4	32 1/4
Pork—		
May	14.00	14.02
Cotton—		
May	11.55	11.58
July	11.56	11.64
Jan.	11.23	11.23
Mch.	11.44	11.47
Stocks—		
I. C.	1.76 1/2	1.76 1/2
L. & N.	1.52 1/2	1.52 1/2
T. C. I.	1.49	1.51
Rdg.	1.44 1/2	1.43 1/2
Money—	6 per cent.	